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Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/663,412	KOH, KWAN JU
	Examiner	Art Unit
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The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.		
1. This communication is responsive to		
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-4</u> .		
3. The drawings filed on 16 September 2003 are accepted by the Examiner.		
<ul> <li>4.  Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a)  All b)  Some* c) None of the:</li> <li>1.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2.  Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No.</li> <li>3.  Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* Certified copies not received:</li> </ul>		
Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.  THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.		
5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.		
<ul> <li>6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.</li> <li>(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached</li> <li>1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date</li> <li>(b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date</li> <li>Identifying indicla such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).</li> </ul>		
7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.		
<ul> <li>Attachment(s)</li> <li>1. ☑ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)</li> <li>2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)</li> <li>3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/0 Paper No./Mail Date</li></ul>	6. ☐ Interview Summary Paper No./Mail Da 8), 7. ☐ Examiner's Amenda	te

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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-4 are allowed.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art,

either singly or in combination fails to anticipate or render obvious, the limitations of:

... selectively removing a portion of the lower gate poly layer to form a lower gate

electrode;

forming LDD regions on opposite sides of the lower gate electrode;

forming sidewalls of the lower gate electrodes;

forming source and drain regions on the opposite sides of the lower gate

electrode;

forming an upper gate polysilicon layer;

selectively removing portions of the upper gate polysilicon layer to form an upper

gate electrode; and

forming a silicide layer on top and side surfaces of the upper gate electrode, as

required by claim 1.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later

than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on

Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Walter L. Lindsay, Jr. whose telephone number is (571) 272-1674. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John F Niebling can be reached on (571) 272-1679. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

John F. Niebling Supervisory Patent Examiner **Technology Center 2800** 

1. Line for August 3, 2004